

Worksheet: Picture This: Twenty Questions About the Demographics of Fairfax County

1. What is the land area of the County in square miles? _____
2. What was the 1998 County population? _____
Estimate for 2020? _____
3. What percent of residents have moved into Fairfax County since 1993? _____
4. What is the density of Fairfax County (people per square mile)? _____
5. What percent of county residents in 1996, age 25 years and older, were college graduates?

6. What was the median household income in Fairfax County in 1997? _____
In Virginia? _____ In the U.S.? _____
7. Where does the county rank nationally in per capita income for 1997? _____
8. What percent of county residents lived below the poverty line in 1998? _____
What has been the trend for this figure since 1980? _____
9. What is the dollar amount of the 1999 HHS Poverty Guideline for a family of four?
\$_____ (This is the federal government's income definition of poverty.)
10. What are the four major racial/ethnic groups in the county? Note percent of total population in 1998:

(1) _____ %
(2) _____ %
(3) _____ %
(4) _____ %
11. What percent of the population was 19 years old and younger in 1980? _____
In 1998? _____
What percent was older than 65 in 1980? _____ In 1998? _____
What impact might these statistics have on county services?

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12. Which district will experience the greatest gain in housing units between 1990 and 2025?
_____ ; the least gain? _____
13. What was the median market value of single-family housing for Fairfax County in 1998?
Which district had the highest? _____
Which had the lowest? _____
14. What percent of county residents commute to work within the county? _____
15. What percent of county residents work for the federal government? _____
16. How many more minutes did it take to commute to work in 1998 than in 1980? _____
17. According to the 1992 economic census, how many pet shops were located in Fairfax County? _____
18. What percent of the households in the county have access to the Internet? _____
19. What percent of households had a home computer? _____
20. What percent of County residents speak a language other than English at home?
